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SENATE RESOLUTION 113

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A RESOLUTION to commend Mr. Gregory R. Atwood for extraordinary service as a legislative intern for Chairman Jerry Cooper and the Senate Commerce, Labor and Agriculture Committee.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Greg Atwood is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for the Senate Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture Committee; Greg's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for Chairman Jerry Cooper, the other legislators he has assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), where he is highly admired by his peers, Greg has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science and minoring in Criminal Justice and Economics and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including meritorious service with the Student Government Association House of Representatives and College Republicans; he plans to pursue a career as a lobbyist upon graduating from college; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Atwood's academic excellence includes an exceptional grade point average and membership in the Golden Key National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, a natural leader, Greg Atwood has served with probity as the vice-president of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity and as a member of the Interfraternity Council; and

WHEREAS, a sports enthusiast, Greg has actively participated in intramural soccer, football, volleyball, and softball; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself about the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Greg Atwood brought his many abilities and expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2000 session of the One Hundred First General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2000 legislative session, Greg Atwood has surpassed all criteria with regard to the attributes of a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Greg has been an exceptional intern, both in his ability to understand complex issues and in his ability to be flexible and willing to do whatever was necessary for the job to be done; and

WHEREAS, Greg's good nature and helpfulness has been appreciated by all of his co-workers, as has his good sense of humor; he efficiently fueled afternoon "sugar rushes" by going on special "chocolate runs" for the ladies in the office; and

WHEREAS, Greg has been a hardworking, dedicated legislative employee who has been a vital part of the staff of the Senate Commerce Committee, as well as personally assisting Chairman Cooper when needed; and

WHEREAS, Greg Atwood has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and great skill, demonstrating his intelligence, creativity, and initiative; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Mr. Gregory R. Atwood for his outstanding service as a legislative intern, for Chairman Jerry Cooper and the

Senate Commerce, Labor and Agriculture Committee and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.